

[PRICE \$2½ PER MONTH]

NEW AND RECENTLY ARRIVED

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING,
19th July, 1888.

THE AMERICAN MUSICAL COMEDY
AND OPERA COMPANY.

Directed by MRS. PEMBERTON W. WILLIAMS
JOHN F. SHERIDAN.

Will appear as above in
VINCE WALLACE'S ENGLISH OPERA
"A R I A N A."

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Don César de Bazan MR. CHARLES FISHER
Don José de Santarem H. M. EMANO
King of Spain W. HENRY COOKE
The Duke of Alcantara JAMES BUTCH

Alcade J. M. MANNING
Lazarillo Miss FAY LEAMINGTON
Marcelinos de Montaña Miss FLO. MORRISON
..... And
Marizán Miss MAUREN HALL
Conductor Mr. S. A. ROBERTSON
To Soeven Tishad-Holts.
Subscription Nights—Monday, Thursday, and
Saturday.
The Directorate Guarantees twelve distinct
productions and no REPEAT on any Subscription
Night.
Season Ticket for the series, \$24.
SATURDAY, July 21st—Farolito Gine
"THE ARABIAN NIGHTS."
MONDAY, July 23rd—BOHEMIAN GIG
WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, 25th & 27th
July—GREAT AMERICAN MIN
SICAL COMEDY.

Plan for general booking open on Saturday
All communications to PEMBERTON
WILLARD, Hongkong Hotel.
Panel Portraits of the Company by the Co-
ordinated Van der Weide on view at Messrs. K
& Walsh's, Hongkong Hotel, &c.
N.B.—THE PEAK TRAMWAY will run
special days. Trade on the nights of each
performance at 8.45, returning at 12 O'CLOCK.
Hongkong, 19th July, 1898. [1]
HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED

KONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION
will be issued to Shareholders on the 18th
on last year.

THE CLASSER BOOKS of the Comp
will be CLOSED from the 28th instant to
1st proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
General Managers

Hongkong, 18th July 1888.

PUBLIC AUCTION

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

THE Underagent has received instruction
to Sell by Public Auction, on
SATURDAY,
the 21st July, 1888, at 2.30 P.M. at his
Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE,
the Property of a Gentleman leaving the Colony
comprising—

SILK TAPESTRY COVERED DR
ING ROOM SUITE, MARBLE
TABLES, WHATNOTS, PICTURE
MIRRORS, &c.

TEAK DINING TABLE, SLIDING
CHAIR, GLASS & CROCKERY WARE
&c.

IRON BEDSTEADS, WARDROBE
CHEST OF DRAWERS, WASHING
STANDS, &c., &c.

Also,
A COTTAGE PIANO, by JOHN BR
WOOD & SONS.

AFTERNOON.
 TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery.
 G. H. LAMBERT
 Auctioneer.
 Hongkong, 19th July, 1888.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instruction
 to Sell by Public Auction, on
 MONDAY,
 the 23rd July 1888, at 2 P.M., at his
 Sales Rooms, Queen's Road.
 AN ASSORTMENT OF
 JAPANESE WARE
 comprising—
 SATSUMA, KANSAI, KINTO and Y.
 YAMAGUCHI TEA BOWLS, INOBU
 BURNERS, TEA and COFFEETSETS,
 SHELL WARE, ENAMELLED W.
 BRONZES, INLAID BRACKETS
 CABINETS,
 EMBROIDERED SCREENS.
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 TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.
 J. M. ARMISTEAD
 Auctioneer.
 Hongkong, 19th July, 1888.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instruction

Sell by Public Auction, on
 WEDNESDAY,
 the 26th Jany, 1888, at NOON, at H.
 NAVAL YARD:
**SUNDAY NAVAL AND VICTUAL
 CONDEMNED STORES,**
 comprising
 OLD IRON, PAPER STUFF, HO
 BRASS BOILER TUBES, BISCU
 CHOCOLATE COOKS FAT,
 HOOPS, IMPLEMENTS.
 &c. &c. &c.
 Terms of SALE.—As Customary.
 J. M. ARMSTRONG
 (Sole Auctioneer)
 Hongkong, 19th Jany, 1888.
 FOR BANGKOK DIRECT.
 THE SCOTCH FINEST ORIENTAL ST
 SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED
 The Company's Steamer
 "KONG BENG."
 Captain R. Jones, who will be dispatched
 there FORT-MORREDOY, the 20th inst.
 Two P.M.
 For Freight or Passage, to apply to
 YUEN TAT HO
 Agents.

STEAM TO
STRAITS, COLOMBO, AND BOMBAY
CONNECTIONS AT COLOMBO, WHERE
THE PASSENGERS STRAITS TRAVELLERS
FOR LONDON AND INTERMEDIATE
PORTS.
THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"DECCAN"
will leave for the above places on SAT-
URDAY, the 21st instant, at Noon.
(Passengers only will be booked for
by this steamer.)
E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 19th July, 1883.
BOARD AND RESERVATIONS
MRS. STAINFIELD, 55, Queen-
s' East, has PRIVATE BOARD for
attendance for Single Men or Married Couples
reasonable rates.
Hongkong, 14th October, 1887.

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ture in the subject, and encouraged paddling and cultivation in the Protected Native Village as a partially remedial measure. Something has been done to carry out his views, but the progress made needs a good deal of impetus before requirements are met." Here in Hongkong, where the ground available for paddy is of such limited extent, local cultivation cannot be looked upon as even a partial provision, the total crop being but an infinitesimal proportion to the consumption. Assuming that communication with Canton and Macao were cut off, a considerable quantity of food supplies would probably find its way overland to Hong Kong, and it is not likely that sufficient means of the colony or its dependencies would exist as a blockade of the water route. But as soon as the blockade became imminent there would be a large voluntary exodus of Chinese to the mainland, and if it became necessary, having regard to the food supply, those who did not leave voluntarily would have to go under duress. It is not probable that the enormous quantities of rice and other food stuffs on store in Hongkong the European community would have no difficulty in holding out for a considerable time. The necessity is one, however, which must never be allowed to arise. Under existing circumstances the occurrence of such a crisis would be the result of gross misfeasance, but in order to keep it at the same remoteness it is essential that the fleet should be sufficient to cope with an enemy's naval forces. If other nations increase their fleets in these waters, therefore, as Russia is said to intend doing, it is essential that the British fleet should be increased in equal ratio, to enable it to maintain its preponderance.

A few London telegrams in our American mail news throw light on recent political

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The changes preferred by the Times are

"DOROTHY" AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

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goss displayed by her, in conjunction with Miss Vera Pater, that the dances in the second act were redemned. It is for his most performance that the company is to be commended. In the first, Morris is a *Levee* partner, in her acting, which was not nearly so successful. However, a girl already mentioned, her singing is of somewhat higher quality than her dancing. A complete lack of sight of, and we have no hesitation in saying that in the matter of vocal power, Miss Flo. Morris is most certainly to be considered the first actress in the company. In the lower part of the bill, she simply sings, and her voice, Miss Grace Whiteford was always heard to effect, of a subtile type, and her rendering of the part of *Arlette* was particularly good. In the last act, she sang a beautiful dance while her singing of the solo "The time is come" in the last act was deservedly encored. We, however, ever take objection to the dress in which she appeared, and we think that the costume of the general appearance which she comes in with. Tom Stratt to ask her father's consent to their marriage, one would conclude she was about twenty or twenty years of age. We were not aware that the custom of the country was to have a betrothal, the Oriental custom of giving children in marriage while yet they were of tender years was in vogue, and therefore we advise Miss Vera Pater to be more prudent in her choice of a future consort, and not spoil an otherwise satisfactory performance. The smaller characters were well played by Misses Eva Leamington, Nellie Arlines, and Vera Pater, the last named deserving particular commendation for her singing. Making the piece as a whole, and allowing for the inevitable drawbacks which have already been alluded to the Company must be commended for a performance of such high quality. It is good to see the weather, and the arrival at the end of most climates are not the best preparatory circumstances under which to give an operatic performance, but the Company has been so good as to make the weather work for them, and will share their arrival, and as a result we have an entertainment which is well worth seeing as a whole, and we doubtless he will support.

The following were the admissions to the Military Hospital and deaths for the past 10 years:-

GOVERNMENT CIVIL HOSPITAL.

The Superintendent resigned in the begin

will have to reside on the premises, and this will require a considerable increase of accommodation in the shape of an additional block of buildings.

whom 3 died.

	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.	1887.
Pay	540	500	482	405	602	619

FOOD SUPPLY IN TIME OF WAR.

The Bill as introduced provided that the

England regarded the movement to wh

conds. It was perhaps only natural that
response to such a reception Mr. Sheridan sh

The following table gives the Police admissions

would very often not be able to get through day's work at all. Clerks in other Governm

his last year shows an increase of 27 as compared with 1886, while the number of deaths shows a

Age	Number of cases	Percentage of total cases	Percentage of total deaths
Under 20 years	10	1.0	1.0
20-29 years	10	1.0	1.0
30-39 years	10	1.0	1.0
40-49 years	10	1.0	1.0
50-59 years	10	1.0	1.0
60-69 years	10	1.0	1.0
70-79 years	10	1.0	1.0
80-89 years	10	1.0	1.0
90-99 years	10	1.0	1.0
100 years and over	10	1.0	1.0

